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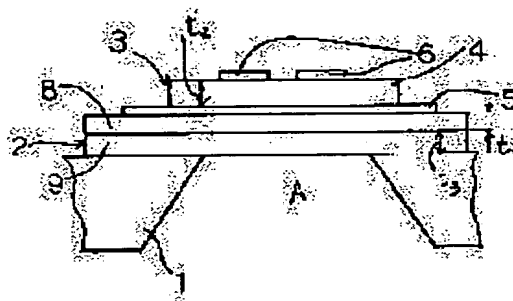
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(54) PIEZOELECTRIC RESONATOR

(57)Abstract:

PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To provide a piezoelectric resonator wherein a temperature change ratio is low and high resonance frequencies which cannot be obtained by any conventional supporting film constituted of SiO₂ is obtained.

SOLUTION: This piezoelectric resonator is provided with a substrate 1 having a vibrating space A, a supporting film 2 formed on the surface of the substrate 1 for covering the vibrating space A, and a vibrator 3 constituted by forming electrodes 5 and 6 on the both faces of a piezoelectric body thin film 4, and arranged at the position of the supporting film 2 faced to the vibrating space A. In this case, the supporting film 2 is formed as a laminated film constituted of an SiO₂ film 8 and a diamond film 9, and the piezoelectric body film 4 is formed as a c-axially oriented ZnO₂ film.



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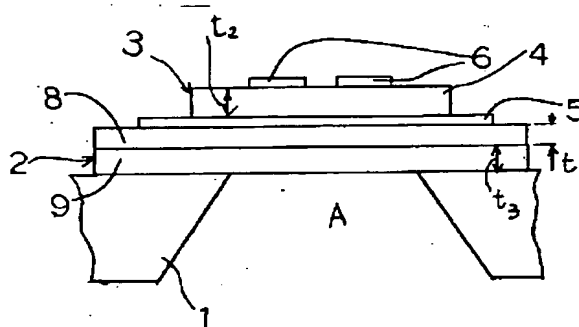
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(54) 【発明の名称】 圧電共振子

(57) 【要約】

【課題】 温度変化率が小さく、かつ従来の SiO_2 からなる支持膜では得られなかった高い共振周波数を有する圧電共振子を提供する。

【解決手段】 振動空間Aを有する基体1と、該基体1表面に形成され、振動空間Aを被覆する支持膜2と、圧電体薄膜4の両面に電極5、6を形成してなり、振動空間Aと対向する支持膜2の位置に配置された振動体3とを具備するとともに、支持膜2が SiO_2 膜8とダイヤモンド膜9との積層膜であり、圧電体薄膜4がc軸配向した ZnO 膜であることが望ましい。



【特許請求の範囲】

【請求項 1】振動空間を有する基体と、該基体表面に形成され、前記振動空間を被覆する支持膜と、該支持膜上に、前記支持膜を介して前記振動空間と対向するように形成され、圧電体薄膜の両面に電極を形成してなる振動体とを具備するとともに、前記支持膜が SiO_2 膜とダイヤモンド膜との積層膜であることを特徴とする圧電共振子。

【請求項 2】ダイヤモンド膜が振動空間に面していることを特徴とする請求項 1 記載の圧電共振子。

【請求項 3】圧電体薄膜が c 軸配向した ZnO 膜であることを特徴とする請求項 1 または 2 記載の圧電共振子。

【発明の詳細な説明】

【0001】

【発明の属する技術分野】本発明は圧電共振子に関し、圧電体薄膜の両面に電極を形成した振動体の厚み縦振動の共振を利用した圧電共振子に関するものである。

【0002】

【従来技術】無線通信や電気回路に用いられる周波数の高周波数化に伴い、これらの電気信号に対して用いられるフィルタも高周波数に対応したものが開発されている。

【0003】特に、最近注目されているのは、固体の表面を伝わる音響波である表面弾性波の共振を用いる、SAW レゾネーターを用いたフィルタである。このフィルタは、固体表面上に形成した櫛形の電極間に印加される高周波電界と表面弾性波の共振を用いており、1 GHz 程度までの共振周波数を持つフィルタが作製されている。

【0004】しかしながら、SAW フィルタは、その櫛形電極間距離が共振周波数に反比例するという関係にあるため、1 GHz を越える周波数領域では櫛形電極間距離がサブミクロンオーダーとなり、電極作製が非常に困難であった。

【0005】今後、無線通信に用いられる電磁波の周波数は、ますます高くなるものと予想され、既に、数 GHz 以上の規格策定の動きもあることから、それらの周波数に対応した、安価で高性能なフィルタが求められている。

【0006】こうした要求に対して、新たに、圧電性を示す薄膜の共振を利用した共振子が提案されている。これは、入力される高周波電気信号に対して、圧電体薄膜が振動を起こし、その振動が、圧電体薄膜の厚さ方向において共振を起こすことを用いた共振子である。

【0007】この共振子は、表面弾性波ではなく固体中を伝播する弾性波を用いることから、バルク・アコースティック・ウェーブ・レゾネーター（以下、BAWR という）と呼ばれている。この BAWR を構成する圧電体薄膜の膜厚の制御は、サブミクロン以下の精度で可能であるため、SAW フィルタに比べて、より高い周波数

の共振周波数を持つレゾネーターの作製が可能となると期待され、開発が進められてきた。

【0008】従来の BAWR としては、図 2 に示すように、基体 11 と、該基体 11 表面に形成された支持膜 13 と、該支持膜 13 上に形成されたバッファ層 15 と、該バッファ層 15 上に形成された下側電極 16 と、該下側電極 16 上に形成された圧電体薄膜 17 と、該圧電体薄膜 17 上に形成された一対の上側電極 18 とからなるものである（USP 4, 320, 365 参照）。支持膜 13 は、振動空間 A を被覆するように基体 11 上面に形成されている。

【0009】従来の BAWR では、圧電体薄膜材料として ZnO 、 AlN 、 CdS 等が用いられ、基体材料として主に Si が用いられ、電極材料として Al 、 Au が用いられており、圧電体薄膜を支える支持膜としてはアモルファス SiO_2 が用いられてきた。

【0010】例えば、特開昭 60-68710 号公報には、圧電体薄膜材料として ZnO 、 AlN 、 CdS 、基体材料として Si 、電極材料として Al 、 Au 、支持膜材料としてアモルファス SiO_2 が用いられている。

【0011】支持膜としてアモルファス SiO_2 が用いられているが、これはアモルファス SiO_2 が Si 基板上に容易に作製できることと、文献（Electronics Letters vol. 17, No. 14, pp507-509 (1981)）に報告されているように、アモルファス SiO_2 が圧電体薄膜の弾性的温度係数と逆符号の温度係数を持つため、共振子の共振周波数の変化を補償できるためである。

【0012】また、上記文献には、 ZnO を圧電体薄膜として用いた場合、 ZnO に対する SiO_2 の膜厚比が、基本波で 0.5 の時、2 次波で 0.25、0.75、1.25 の時零温度係数を得ることができ、かつ高い電気機械結合係数 k_t が得られることが報告されている。

【0013】

【発明が解決しようとする課題】しかしながら、この BAWR は、振動の伝播によって共振を得ているため、圧電体薄膜の振動特性はもとより、この圧電体薄膜を支える支持膜の振動特性がレゾネーターの特性に大きく影響する。

【0014】即ち、従来の 1 GHz 以下の周波数で用いる BAWR では ZnO の膜厚が 2.5 μm 以上となるが、上記文献に報告されているように、零温度係数を実現するために SiO_2 を用いると、アモルファス SiO_2 の膜厚は ZnO の膜厚の 0.25 ~ 1.25 倍であるが、 SiO_2 の膜厚が小さすぎると支持膜としての強度が低下し、BAWR レゾネーターとしては使用できないため、現実に使用される SiO_2 の膜厚は 2 ~ 3 μm 程度と厚いものであった。

【0015】そして、 SiO_2 は非晶質であることから、振動の減衰、すなわち挿入損失が大きく、零温度係

数を得るために膜厚を大きくすると音響媒体としてのパスが大きくなるため、損失が大きくなるという問題があった。

【0016】また、現在主流になりつつある2GHzの周波数で動作させるためには、ZnOの膜厚は1.3μm程度となるが、ZnOの弾性的温度係数を補償し、零温度係数を実現するためにはSiO₂は1μm以下の膜厚が要求され、挿入損失は低減されるが、非晶質であるSiO₂を1μm以下で安定に形成するのは困難であり、共振子自体の製造が困難であった。一方、ZnOの膜厚を1.3μm程度とし、SiO₂を厚くすると、SiO₂の弾性的性質が支配的になり、損失が大きくなり、また、温度係数が大きくなり、さらに、高次モードになるため電気機械結合係数が小さくなるという問題があった。

【0017】上記課題を解決するためには、アモルファスSiO₂の膜厚をできる限り小さくし、零温度係数を実現するとともに、支持膜の強度を大きくし、さらに温度係数を極めて小さくする必要があった。

【0018】

【課題を解決するための手段】本発明の圧電共振子は、振動空間を有する基体と、該基体表面に形成され、前記振動空間を被覆する支持膜と、該支持膜上に、前記支持膜を介して前記振動空間と対向するように形成され、圧電体薄膜の両面に電極を形成してなる振動体とを具備するとともに、前記支持膜がSiO₂膜とダイヤモンド膜との積層膜であることを特徴とする。ここで、ダイヤモンド膜が振動空間に面していることが望ましい。また、圧電体薄膜がc軸配向したZnO膜であることが望ましい。

【0019】

【作用】本発明の圧電共振子では、SiO₂膜とダイヤモンド膜の2層積層体を支持膜として用いたので、高強度のダイヤモンド膜により支持膜としての強度を向上することができるとともに、ダイヤモンド膜は共振周波数の温度変化率が極めて小さいため、支持膜としての共振周波数の温度変化率がSiO₂膜に支配され、温度変化率がSiO₂膜とほぼ同等で、高強度の支持膜を得ることができる。

【0020】即ち、例えば、ZnOからなる圧電体薄膜は正の温度係数を有し、アモルファスSiO₂は負の温度係数を有するが、本発明の圧電共振子では、支持膜がSiO₂膜とダイヤモンド膜の2層積層体であり、ダイヤモンド膜自体の弾性定数が大きいため弾性的温度変化が14ppm/℃と極めて小さいため、ダイヤモンド膜の共振周波数の温度変化率が殆ど零に近く、このため支持膜の温度係数はSiO₂膜の温度係数に支配されて負となり、正の温度係数を有するZnOからなる圧電体薄膜と、負の温度係数を有する支持膜により、振動する部分（支持膜および振動体）の共振周波数の温度係数を零

に近づけることができる。

【0021】また、従来のSiO₂からなる支持膜では、十分な機械的強度を得るために、薄層化の限界があり、例えばZnOからなる圧電体薄膜とSiO₂からなる支持膜の組み合わせで、共振周波数が1.5GHzを越える圧電共振子は得られなかったが、本発明のSiO₂膜とダイヤモンド膜の2層積層体を支持膜として用いると、ダイヤモンド膜自体が高強度であるため、SiO₂膜を薄層化しても支持膜としての構造を維持することができる。

【0022】さらに、ダイヤモンド膜は、ZnO圧電体薄膜とSiO₂支持膜により構成される振動部の音速と比較して、5倍程度の音速を持つため、ZnOおよびSiO₂の合計厚みが1μm程度の膜厚の時、ダイヤモンド膜は5μm程度で良い。この時、ZnO/SiO₂/ダイヤモンドにより構成される振動部に3次の定在波が立ち、電気機械結合係数が大きくなる。

【0023】また、大きな電気機械結合係数を得るためには、ダイヤモンド膜の膜厚が小さく、ZnO/SiO₂により構成される振動部に2次の定在波が立つことが望ましい。ダイヤモンド膜の厚みが1μm程度では電気機械結合係数を殆ど減少させることなく、ZnO/SiO₂により構成される振動部に最も強く励振される2次波を発生させることができる。ダイヤモンド膜を用いることで、支持膜としての機械的強度を向上しつつ、限界膜厚を小さくできる。このため、従来技術による場合と比較して、高い共振周波数を実現できる。

【0024】振動空間には、ダイヤモンド膜が面することが望ましい。これはダイヤモンド膜が高強度であるため、支持膜を十分に支持できるからである。

【0025】

【発明の実施の形態】本発明の圧電共振子は、図1に示すように、振動空間Aを有する基体1と、基体1上に配置され、振動空間Aを被覆するように配置された支持膜2と、振動空間Aに面する支持膜2の位置に配置された振動体3とから構成されており、この振動体3は、圧電体薄膜4の下面に下側電極5、上面に一对の上側電極6を形成して構成されている。

【0026】基体1は、例えばシリコンからなり、エッチングすることにより振動空間Aが形成されている。基体1の振動空間Aとは、振動体3の振動を基体1に伝達しない空間を言い、基体1に貫通孔を形成したり、基体1の支持膜を形成する部分に凹部を形成したりすることにより形成される。

【0027】圧電体薄膜4には、ZnO、AlN、CdS、PbTiO₃等が用いられるが、厚み縦振動の電気機械結合係数が大きい等の理由からPbTiO₃を主成分とすることが望ましい。また、共振子全体の温度係数を零に近づけるという点からc軸配向したZnOが望ましい。ZnO圧電体は、c軸方向にのみ圧電性を発現す

るために、厚み縦振動を用いるBAW共振子においてはc軸配向膜である必要がある。

【0028】この $PbTiO_3$ を主成分とする圧電体薄膜は、成膜時に結晶軸をc軸方向に配向させることにより、大きな圧電性を示すことができ、圧電性が弱い場合には直流電圧を印加して圧電性を付与しても良い。

【0029】この圧電体薄膜4を挟持する電極5、6には、従来より多く用いられているAl、Pt、Au等比較的反応性が低い金属材料が用いられる。圧電体薄膜4との反応を考慮すると、電極材料としては反応性の低いPtが望ましい。

【0030】そして、本発明の圧電共振子では、支持膜2が SiO_2 膜8とダイヤモンド膜9との積層膜で構成した。 SiO_2 膜8の膜厚 t_1 は、ZnO膜の膜厚 t_2 に対する SiO_2 膜の膜厚 t_1 の比(t_1/t_2)が $0.25 \leq (t_1/t_2) \leq 0.75$ が望ましい。これは、(t_1/t_2) <0.25 の場合や $0.75 < (t_1/t_2) \leq 1.25$ の時ZnO/ SiO_2 はダイヤモンドと同じ負の温度係数を示し温度特性が悪くなるからである。また、(t_1/t_2) >1.25 の時、 SiO_2/ZnO は正の温度係数を示すが、 SiO_2 膜8の膜厚が大きく、超音波の吸収が大きく、損失が大きくなるためである。

【0031】本発明の SiO_2 膜はアモルファスでも結晶質でも良いが、アモルファスの方が製造上容易であり、望ましい。また、ダイヤモンド膜9は、アモルファスでも結晶質でも良いが、Qの低下を防止するため結晶質が望ましい。

【0032】また、ダイヤモンド膜9の膜厚 t_3 は薄ければ薄いほど良いが、自立膜として形成するには $1\mu m$ 以上が必要である。RTH、ZnO圧電体薄膜は比誘電率が小さいため、共振子の静電容量で決まるインピーダンスを 50Ω にマッチングさせるためには、数 $100\mu m$ のサイズの自立膜が必要であり、このサイズの自立膜を安定的に作製するためには、 $1\mu m$ 膜厚が必要となる。

【0033】本発明の圧電共振子では、 SiO_2 膜8とダイヤモンド膜9の2層積層体を支持膜2として用いたので、高強度のダイヤモンド膜9により支持膜2としての強度を向上できるとともに、ダイヤモンド膜9は共振周波数の温度変化率が極めて小さいため、支持膜2としての共振周波数の温度変化率が SiO_2 膜8に支配され、温度変化率が SiO_2 膜8とほぼ同等で、高強度の支持膜を得ることができる。

【0034】また、ZnOからなる圧電体薄膜4は正の温度係数を有し、アモルファス SiO_2 は負の温度係数を有するが、本発明の圧電共振子では、支持膜2が SiO_2 膜8とダイヤモンド膜9の2層積層体であり、ダイヤモンド膜9自体が共振周波数の温度変化率が殆ど零に近く、このため支持膜2の温度係数は SiO_2 膜8の温

度係数に支配されて負となり、正の温度係数を有するZnOからなる圧電体薄膜4と、負の温度係数を有する支持膜2により、振動する部分(支持膜および振動体)の共振周波数の温度係数を零に近づけることができる。

【0035】

【実施例】まず、プラズマCVD法により、 $Si(100)$ 基体上にダイヤモンド薄膜を形成する。成長条件は、減圧下で CH_4 、 CO_2 、 H_2 混合ガスを用いて、マイクロ波を6KWで入力し、膜厚が $1\mu m$ のものを作製した。

【0036】天然のダイヤモンドの特性は、ヤング率 $1.2 \times 10^{12} N/m^2$ 、密度 $3.51 g/cm^3$ 、音速は $18500 m/s$ であると報告されている。作製したダイヤモンド薄膜の特性は、密度が $3.4 g/cm^3$ 、ヤング率が $9.6 \times 10^{11} N/m^2$ であり、音速は $16800 m/s$ であった。これは、天然のダイヤモンドに比べれば若干小さいものの、 SiO_2 (熔融石英)の音速 $5700 m/s$ に比べても約3倍の値であり、アモルファスの SiO_2 膜に比べると、さらに高音速である。

【0037】次に、この基体の裏側よりSiをエッチングし、ダイヤモンド膜に達するピアホールを作製する。ここで用いているダイヤモンド膜は結晶質であり、しかも内部残留応力が小さいことが特徴である。そのため、 $1\mu m$ の膜厚でも、残留応力によって自己破壊することなく自立膜を形成できる。

【0038】こうして作製したダイヤモンドのダイヤモンド膜の上に、熱CVD法により SiO_2 膜を形成する。 SiO_2 膜の膜厚は $1.0\mu m$ であった。次に、マグネトロンスパッタ法を用いて、Pt下部電極層、ZnO圧電体薄膜、Al上部電極層を順次積層する。成長温度は、Pt電極層が $500^\circ C$ 、圧電体薄膜とAl電極層がともに $200^\circ C$ である。

【0039】膜厚は、下部電極層、上部電極層ともに $100 nm$ 、圧電体薄膜が $1.3\mu m$ である。また、これらの薄膜の厚さを制御することにより、共振周波数の大きさを制御することができる。

【0040】評価は図1に示す共振子構造においてインピーダンス測定により行った。RFインピーダンスアナライザと、RF用ウエハマイクロプローブを用い、インピーダンスの周波数特性を測定することにより、 $1.7 GHz$ において圧電共振(反共振)を得た。

【0041】また、 $Si(100)$ 基体上に熱CVD法により $1.5\mu m$ の SiO_2 膜を形成し、基体の裏側よりSiをエッチングし、 SiO_2 膜に達するピアホールを作製したところ、強度が低く自立膜を形成できなかった。

【0042】以上のように、本発明の SiO_2 /ダイヤモンド支持膜を用いた薄膜圧電共振子は、 SiO_2 支持膜を用いた薄膜圧電共振子に比べ、より SiO_2 膜の膜

厚の小さい自立膜が形成できるため、共振周波数を決めるZnO圧電体膜厚も小さくでき、共振周波数が大きな共振子を構成できる。

【0043】

【発明の効果】本発明の圧電共振子では、SiO₂膜とダイヤモンド膜の2層積層体を支持膜として用いたので、高強度のダイヤモンド膜により支持膜としての強度を向上することができるとともに、ダイヤモンド膜は共振周波数の温度変化率が極めて小さいため、支持膜としての共振周波数の温度変化率がSiO₂膜に支配され、温度変化率がSiO₂膜とほぼ同等で、高強度の支持膜を得ることができる。これにより、例えば、ZnOからなる圧電体薄膜を用いた場合には、正の温度係数を有するZnOからなる圧電体薄膜と、負の温度係数を有する支持膜により、振動する部分（支持膜および振動体）の共振周波数の温度係数を零に近づけることができる。従

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って、温度変化率が小さく、かつ従来のSiO₂からなる支持膜では得られなかった高い共振周波数を有する圧電共振子を得ることができる。

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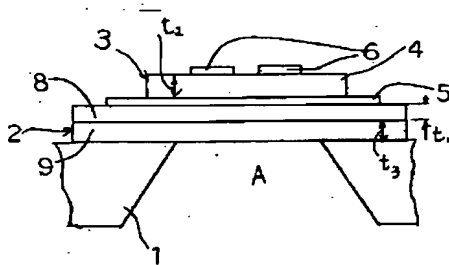
【図1】本発明の圧電共振子を示す断面図である。

【図2】従来の圧電共振子を示す断面図である。

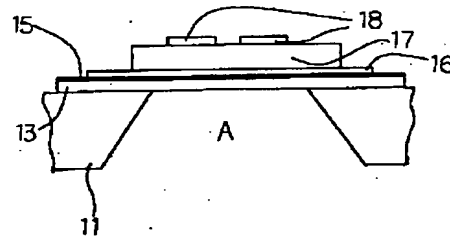
【符号の説明】

- 1・・・基体
- 2・・・支持膜
- 3・・・振動体
- 4・・・圧電体薄膜
- 5・・・下側電極
- 6・・・上側電極
- 8・・・SiO₂膜
- 9・・・ダイヤモンド膜
- A・・・振動空間

【図1】



【図2】



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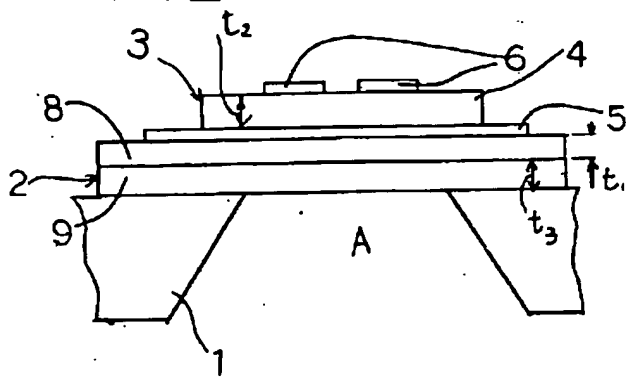
Epitome

(57) [Abstract]

[Technical problem] conventional SiO₂ with the small and rate of a temperature change from -- in the becoming supporting lamella, the piezo resonator which has the high resonance frequency which was not obtained is offered.

[Means for Solution] The base 1 which has the oscillating space A, and the supporting lamella 2 which is formed in this base 1 front face, and covers the oscillating space A, While providing the oscillating object 3 arranged in the location of the supporting lamella 2 which comes to form electrodes 5 and 6 in both sides of the piezo electric crystal thin film 4, and counters with the oscillating space A, a supporting lamella 2 is SiO₂. It is the cascade screen of the film 8 and the diamond film 9, and it is desirable that it is the ZnO film in which the piezo electric crystal thin film 4 carried out c-axis orientation.

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CLAIMS

[Claim(s)]

[Claim 1] While providing the base which has oscillating space, the supporting lamella which is formed in this base front face and covers said oscillating space, and the oscillating object which is formed so that it may counter with said oscillating space through said supporting lamella on this supporting lamella, and comes to form an electrode in both sides of a piezo electric crystal thin film, said supporting lamella is SiO₂. Piezo resonator characterized by being the cascade screen of the film and the diamond film.

[Claim 2] The piezo resonator according to claim 1 characterized by the diamond film facing oscillating space.

[Claim 3] The piezo resonator according to claim 1 or 2 characterized by being the ZnO film in which the piezo electric crystal thin film carried out c-axis orientation.

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DETAILED DESCRIPTION

[Detailed Description of the Invention]

[0001]

[Field of the Invention] This invention relates to the piezo resonator using resonance of the thickness longitudinal oscillation of the oscillating object in which the electrode was formed to both sides of a piezo electric crystal thin film, about a piezo resonator.

[0002]

[Description of the Prior Art] The thing corresponding to high frequency also in the filter used to these electrical signals is developed with high-frequency-izing of the frequency used for radio or an electrical circuit.

[0003] Especially being observed recently is a filter using a SAW resonator using resonance of the surface acoustic waves which are acoustic waves transmitted in a solid front face. Resonance of the RF electric field and surface acoustic waves which are impressed to inter-electrode [of Kushigata formed on the solid-state front face] is used for this filter, and the filter with the resonance frequency to about 1GHz is produced.

[0004] However, since an SAW filter had a relation that the Kushigata inter-electrode distance is in inverse proportion to resonance frequency, Kushigata inter-electrode distance became submicron order, and electrode production was very difficult for it in the frequency domain exceeding 1GHz.

[0005] It is expected that the frequency of the electromagnetic wave used for radio will become still higher from now on, and the cheap and highly efficient filter corresponding to those frequencies from a certain thing also in the movement toward specification decision of

several GHz or more is already called for.

[0006] The resonator which newly used resonance of the thin film in which piezoelectric is shown is proposed to such a demand. This is a resonator using a piezo electric crystal thin film setting vibration to a lifting, and the vibration setting in the thickness direction of a piezo electric crystal thin film, and causing resonance to the RF electrical signal inputted.

[0007] This resonator is bulk [since the elastic wave which spreads the inside of not surface acoustic waves but a solid-state is used] -. Acoustic - Wave - It is called the resonator (henceforth BAWR). It was expected that control of the thickness of the piezo electric crystal thin film which constitutes this BAWR became producible [the resonator which has the resonance frequency of a higher frequency compared with an SAW filter in the precision below submicron one since it is possible], and development has been furthered.

[0008] The supporting lamella 13 formed in base 11 and this base 11 front face as shown in drawing 2 as conventional BAWR, The buffer layer 15 formed on this supporting lamella 13, and the bottom electrode 16 formed on this buffer layer 15, It consists of a piezo electric crystal thin film 17 formed on this bottom electrode 16, and a top electrode 18 of the pair formed on this piezo electric crystal thin film 17 (USP4,320,365 reference). The supporting lamella 13 is formed in base 11 top face so that the oscillating space A may be covered.

[0009] As a supporting lamella which ZnO, AlN, CdS, etc. are used as a piezo electric crystal thin film material, Si is mainly used as a base ingredient in the conventional BAWR, and aluminum and Au are used as an electrode material, and supports a piezo electric crystal thin film, it is an amorphous silicon 02. It has been used.

[0010] For example, in JP,60-68710,A, it is an amorphous silicon 02 as aluminum, Au, and a supporting lamella ingredient as Si and an electrode material as ZnO, AlN, CdS, and a base ingredient as a piezo electric crystal thin film material. It is used.

[0011] It is an amorphous silicon 02 as a supporting lamella. Although used, this is an amorphous silicon 02. It is an amorphous silicon 02 as it is reported to reference (Electronics Lettersvol.17, No.14, pp 507-509 (1981)) that it is easily producible on Si substrate. Since it has the elastic temperature coefficient of a piezo electric crystal thin film, and the temperature coefficient of a reverse sign, it is because change of the resonance frequency of a resonator can be compensated.

[0012] moreover, SiO [as opposed to / when ZnO is used for the above-mentioned reference as a piezo electric crystal thin film / ZnO]2 a

thickness ratio -- a fundamental wave -- the time of 0.5 -- a secondary wave -- 0.25 and 0. -- it is reported that can obtain a zero temperature coefficient at the time of 75 and 1.25, and the high electromechanical coupling coefficient kt is obtained.

[0013]

[Problem(s) to be Solved by the Invention] However, since this BAWR has obtained resonance by propagation of vibration, the oscillation characteristic of the supporting lamella supporting not only the oscillation characteristic of a piezo electric crystal thin film but also this piezo electric crystal thin film influences the property of a resonator greatly.

[0014] Namely, although the thickness of ZnO is set to 2.5 micrometers or more in BAWR used on the conventional frequency of 1GHz or less It is SiO₂ in order to realize a zero temperature coefficient as reported to the above-mentioned reference. When it uses, it is an amorphous silicon. Although thickness is 0.25 to 1.25 times the thickness of ZnO SiO₂ It is SiO₂ actually used since the reinforcement as a supporting lamella falls and it cannot be used as a BAW resonator if thickness is too small. Thickness was as thick as about 2-3 micrometers.

[0015] And SiO₂ Since it was amorphous, attenuation of vibration, i.e., an insertion loss, was large, and since the pass as a sound medium would become large if thickness is enlarged in order to obtain a zero temperature coefficient, there was a problem that loss became large.

[0016] Moreover, it is SiO₂, in order to compensate the elastic temperature coefficient of ZnO and to realize a zero temperature coefficient, although the thickness of ZnO is set to about 1.3 micrometers in order to make it operate on the frequency of 2GHz which is becoming the current mainstream. Although thickness 1 micrometer or less is required and an insertion loss is reduced, it is amorphous SiO₂. It was difficult to form in stability by 1 micrometer or less, and manufacture of the resonator itself was difficult for it. On the other hand, thickness of ZnO is set to about 1.3 micrometers, and it is SiO₂. It is SiO₂ when it thickens. There was a problem that an elastic property becomes dominant, loss becomes large, and a temperature coefficient becomes large, and an electromechanical coupling coefficient became small since it becomes the higher mode further.

[0017] In order to solve the above-mentioned technical problem, it is an amorphous silicon. While making thickness as small as possible and realizing the zero temperature coefficient, reinforcement of a supporting lamella needed to be enlarged and the temperature coefficient needed to be further made very small.

[0018]

[Means for Solving the Problem] For the piezo resonator of this invention, said supporting lamella is SiO₂ while providing the base which has oscillating space, the supporting lamella which is formed in this base front face and covers said oscillating space, and the oscillating object which is formed so that it may counter with said oscillating space through said supporting lamella on this supporting lamella, and comes to form an electrode in both sides of a piezo electric crystal thin film. It is characterized by being the cascade screen of the film and the diamond film. Here, it is desirable for the diamond film to face oscillating space. Moreover, it is desirable that it is the ZnO film in which the piezo electric crystal thin film carried out c-axis orientation.

[0019]

[Function] At the piezo resonator of this invention, it is SiO₂. Since the two-layer layered product of the film and the diamond film was used as a supporting lamella While being able to improve the reinforcement as a supporting lamella with the diamond film of high intensity For the diamond film, since the rate of a temperature change of resonance frequency is very small, the rate of a temperature change of the resonance frequency as a supporting lamella is SiO₂. The film rules over and the rate of a temperature change is SiO₂. It is almost equivalent to the film and the supporting lamella of high intensity can be obtained.

[0020] Namely, the piezo electric crystal thin film which consists of ZnO has a positive temperature coefficient, and is an amorphous silicon O₂, for example. Although it has a negative temperature coefficient At the piezo resonator of this invention, a supporting lamella is SiO₂. It is the two-layer layered product of the film and the diamond film. Since the elastic coefficient of the diamond film itself is large, since the elastic temperature change is very small in degree C and 14 ppm /, For the rate of a temperature change of the resonance frequency of the diamond film, for this reason, the temperature coefficient of a supporting lamella is [near and] almost SiO₂ to zero. The piezo electric crystal thin film which is governed by the membranous temperature coefficient, serves as negative, and consists of ZnO which has a positive temperature coefficient, With the supporting lamella which has a negative temperature coefficient, the temperature coefficient of the resonance frequency of the vibrating part (a supporting lamella and oscillating object) can be brought close to zero.

[0021] conventional SiO₂ [moreover,] from -- the piezo electric crystal thin film which there is a limitation of lamination, for example,

consists of ZnO in order to obtain mechanical strength sufficient in the becoming supporting lamella, and SiO₂ from -- the piezo resonator to which resonance frequency exceeds 1.5GHz in the combination of the becoming supporting lamella, although not obtained SiO₂ of this invention Since the diamond film itself is high intensity when the two-layer layered product of the film and the diamond film is used as a supporting lamella, it is SiO₂. Even if it carries out lamination of the film, the structure as a supporting lamella is maintainable.

[0022] Furthermore, the diamond film is a ZnO piezo electric crystal thin film and SiO₂. Since it has about 5-time acoustic velocity as compared with the acoustic velocity of the oscillating section constituted with a supporting lamella, it is ZnO and SiO₂. When sum total thickness is the thickness which is about 1 micrometer, the diamond film is good at about 5 micrometers. At this time, the 3rd standing wave stands on the oscillating section constituted with ZnO/SiO₂ / diamond, and an electromechanical coupling coefficient becomes large.

[0023] Moreover, in order to obtain a big electromechanical coupling coefficient, the thickness of the diamond film is small, and it is ZnO/SiO₂. It is desirable for the secondary standing wave to stand on the oscillating section constituted. It is ZnO/SiO₂, without the thickness of the diamond film decreasing most electromechanical coupling coefficients in about 1 micrometer. The secondary wave most strongly excited in the oscillating section constituted can be generated. By using the diamond film, marginal thickness can be made small, improving the mechanical strength as a supporting lamella. For this reason, as compared with the case where it is based on the conventional technique, high resonance frequency is realizable.

[0024] It is desirable for the diamond film to face oscillating space. This is because the diamond film is high intensity, so a supporting lamella can fully be supported.

[0025]

[Embodiment of the Invention] The base 1 with which the piezo resonator of this invention has the oscillating space A as shown in drawing 1, It consists of oscillating objects 3 arranged in the location of the supporting lamella 2 which has been arranged on a base 1, and has been arranged so that the oscillating space A may be covered, and the supporting lamella 2 facing the oscillating space A, and the bottom electrode 5 is formed in the inferior surface of tongue of the piezo electric crystal thin film 4, it forms the top electrode 6 of a pair in a top face, and this oscillating object 3 is constituted.

[0026] A base 1 consists of silicon and the oscillating space A is formed by etching. The oscillating space A of a base 1 means the space which does not transmit vibration of the oscillating object 3 to a base 1, and it is formed by forming a through tube in a base 1, or forming a crevice in the part which forms the supporting lamella of a base 1.

[0027] the piezo electric crystal thin film 4 -- ZnO, AlN, CdS, and PbTiO₃ etc. -- the reasons nil why the electromechanical coupling coefficient of thickness longitudinal oscillation is large although used etc. to PbTiO₃ Considering as a principal component is desirable. Moreover, ZnO which carried out c-axis orientation of the temperature coefficient of the whole resonator from the point of bringing close to zero is desirable. A ZnO piezo electric crystal needs to be the c-axis orientation film in the BAW resonator which uses thickness longitudinal oscillation, in order to discover piezoelectric only in the direction of a c-axis.

[0028] This PbTiO₃ By making the orientation of the crystallographic axis carry out in the direction of a c-axis at the time of membrane formation, the piezo electric crystal thin film used as a principal component can show piezoelectric [big], when piezoelectric is weak, may impress direct current voltage and may give piezoelectric.

[0029] Metallic materials with comparatively low reactivity, such as aluminum, Pt, Au, etc. which are used, are used for the electrodes 5 and 6 which pinch this piezo electric crystal thin film 4. When a reaction with the piezo electric crystal thin film 4 is taken into consideration, as an electrode material, reactant low Pt is desirable.

[0030] And at the piezo resonator of this invention, a supporting lamella 2 is SiO₂. It constituted from a cascade screen of the film 8 and the diamond film 9. SiO₂ Thickness t₁ of the film 8 Thickness t₂ of the ZnO film Receiving SiO₂ Membranous thickness t₁ $0.25 \leq (t_1 / t_2) \leq 0.75$ have a desirable ratio (t₁ / t₂). This is ZnO/SiO₂ at the case of $(t_1 / t_2) 0.25$, or the time of $0.75 < (t_1 / t_2) \leq 1.25$. It is because the same negative temperature coefficient as a diamond is shown and the temperature characteristic worsens. Moreover, it is SiO₂ although SiO₂ / ZnO shows a positive temperature coefficient at the time of $> (t_1 / t_2) 1.25$. The thickness of the film 8 is large, absorption of a supersonic wave is large, and it is because loss becomes large.

[0031] SiO₂ of this invention Although the film may be amorphous or a crystalline substance is sufficient as it, the more nearly amorphous one is easy for it on manufacture, and is desirable. Moreover, although the diamond film 9 may be amorphous or a crystalline substance is sufficient, a crystalline substance is desirable in order to prevent the fall of Q.

[0032] Moreover, thickness t_3 of the diamond film 9 Although it is better as thin, 1 micrometers or more are required to form as self-supported film. R In order to make the impedance decided by electrostatic capacity of a resonator since TH and a ZnO piezo electric crystal thin film have small specific inductive capacity match with 50 ohms, the self-supported film of the size of several 100 micrometer** is required, and in order to produce the self-supported film of this size stably, 1-micrometer thickness is needed.

[0033] At the piezo resonator of this invention, it is SiO₂. Since the two-layer layered product of the film 8 and the diamond film 9 was used as a supporting lamella 2 While being able to improve the reinforcement as a supporting lamella 2 with the diamond film 9 of high intensity For the diamond film 9, since the rate of a temperature change of resonance frequency is very small, the rate of a temperature change of the resonance frequency as a supporting lamella 2 is SiO₂. The film 8 rules over and the rate of a temperature change is SiO₂. It is almost equivalent to the film 8, and the supporting lamella of high intensity can be obtained.

[0034] Moreover, the piezo electric crystal thin film 4 which consists of ZnO has a positive temperature coefficient, and is an amorphous silicon O₂. Although it has a negative temperature coefficient In the piezo resonator of this invention, a supporting lamella 2 is the two-layer layered product of SiO₂ film 8 and the diamond film 9. For the rate of a temperature change of resonance frequency, for this reason, the temperature coefficient of a supporting lamella 2 is [diamond film 9 the very thing / near and] almost SiO₂ to zero. The piezo electric crystal thin film 4 which is governed by the temperature coefficient of the film 8, serves as negative, and consists of ZnO which has a positive temperature coefficient, With the supporting lamella 2 which has a negative temperature coefficient, the temperature coefficient of the resonance frequency of the vibrating part (a supporting lamella and oscillating object) can be brought close to zero.

[0035]

[Example] First, a diamond thin film is formed on Si (100) base by the plasma-CVD method. Growth conditions are CH₄, CO₂, and H₂ under reduced pressure. Using mixed gas, microwave was inputted by 6kW and that whose thickness is 1 micrometer was produced.

[0036] The property of a natural diamond is reported for Young's modulus 1.2×10^{12} N/m², consistency 3.51 g/cm³, and acoustic velocity to be 18500 m/s. the property of the produced diamond thin film -- a consistency -- 3.4 g/cm³ and Young's modulus -- 9.6×10^{11} N/m² it is -- acoustic

velocity was 16800 m/s. If this is compared with a natural diamond, although it is small a little, even if it compares it with sonic 5700 m/s of SiO₂ (fused quartz), it is about 3 times the value of this, and it is amorphous SiO₂. Compared with the film, it is high acoustic velocity further.

[0037] Next, Si is etched from the background of this base and the beer hall which reaches the diamond film is produced. The diamond film used here is a crystalline substance, and, moreover, it is the description that internal residual stress is small. Therefore, even 1-micrometer thickness can form self-supported film, without carrying out the autoclasis with residual stress.

[0038] In this way, on the diaphragm of the produced diamond, it is SiO₂ by the heat CVD method. The film is formed. SiO₂ Membranous thickness was 1.0 micrometers. Next, the laminating of Pt lower electrode layer, a ZnO piezo electric crystal thin film, and the aluminum up electrode layer is carried out one by one using the magnetron sputtering method. Pt electrode layer is [500 degrees C, a piezo electric crystal thin film, and aluminum electrode layer of both growth temperature] 200 degrees C.

[0039] A lower electrode layer and an up electrode layer are [100nm and the piezo electric crystal thin film of thickness] 1.3 micrometers. Moreover, the magnitude of resonance frequency is controllable by controlling the thickness of these thin films.

[0040] In the resonator structure shown in drawing 1 , impedance measurement performed evaluation. In 1.7GHz, piezo-electric resonance (antiresonance) was obtained RF impedance analyzer and by measuring the frequency characteristics of an impedance using the wafer microprobe for RF.

[0041] Moreover, it is 1.5-micrometer SiO₂ by the heat CVD method on Si (100) base. The film is formed, Si is etched from the background of a base, and it is SiO₂. When the beer hall which reaches the film was produced, reinforcement was not able to form self-supported film low.

[0042] As mentioned above, the thin film piezo resonator using SiO₂ / diamond supporting lamella of this invention is SiO₂. It compares with the thin film piezo resonator using a supporting lamella, and is SiO₂ more. Since the small self-supported film of membranous thickness can be formed, ZnO piezo electric crystal thickness which determines resonance frequency can also be made small, and can constitute a resonator with big resonance frequency.

[0043]

[Effect of the Invention] At the piezo resonator of this invention, it

is SiO₂. Since the two-layer layered product of the film and the diamond film was used as a supporting lamella While being able to improve the reinforcement as a supporting lamella with the diamond film of high intensity For the diamond film, since the rate of a temperature change of resonance frequency is very small, the rate of a temperature change of the resonance frequency as a supporting lamella is SiO₂. The film rules over and the rate of a temperature change is SiO₂. It is almost equivalent to the film and the supporting lamella of high intensity can be obtained. When this uses the piezo electric crystal thin film which consists of ZnO, the temperature coefficient of the resonance frequency of the vibrating part (a supporting lamella and oscillating object) can be brought close to zero with the piezo electric crystal thin film which consists of ZnO which has a positive temperature coefficient, and the supporting lamella which has a negative temperature coefficient. conventional SiO₂ [therefore,] with the small and rate of a temperature change from -- in the becoming supporting lamella, the piezo resonator which has the high resonance frequency which was not obtained can be obtained.

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DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS

[Brief Description of the Drawings]

[Drawing 1] It is the sectional view showing the piezo resonator of this invention.

[Drawing 2] It is the sectional view showing the conventional piezo resonator.

[Description of Notations]

1 ... Base

2 ... Supporting lamella

- 3 ... Oscillating object
- 4 ... Piezo electric crystal thin film
- 5 ... Bottom electrode
- 6 ... Top electrode
- 8 ... SiO₂ Film
- 9 ... Diamond film
- A ... Oscillating space

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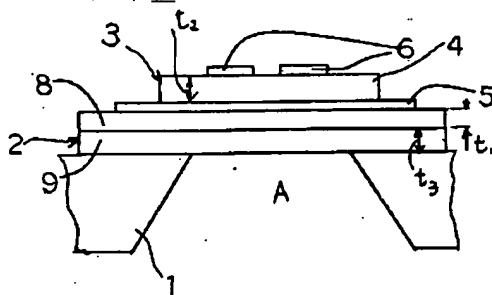
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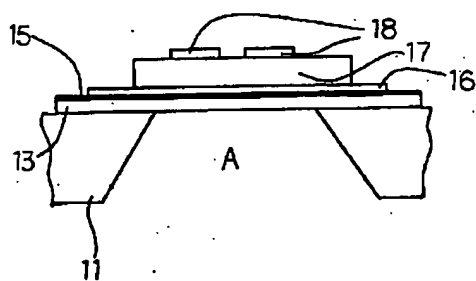
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DRAWINGS

[Drawing 1]



[Drawing 2]



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